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SUBJECT: POLISH REPORTING ON RHODESIAN CONFERENCE

1. TRYBUNA LUDU AND ZYCIE WARSZAWY ON NOVEMBER 9 CARRIED SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT VERSIONS OF THE SAME ARTICLE BY PAP CORRESPONDENT JERZY WANKOWICZ FROM GENEVA ON THE RHODESIA CONFERENCE. PROMIENT MENTION IS GIVEN BY WANKOWICZ TO THE ACTIVITIES OF CONGRESSMAN DIGGS AS PRESIDENT-ELECT CARTER'S " UNOFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE" AT THE TALKS.

2. REPRESENTATIVE DIGGS IS DESCRIBED AS THE MOST INFLUENTIAL MEMBER OF THE BLACK CAUCUS AND AN EXPERT ON AFRICAN AFFAIRS. WANKOWICZ SAYS THAT DIGGS IS NOW CONDUCTING INDIVIDUAL DISCUSSIONS WITH THE PARTICIPANTS AT THE GENEVA CONFERENCE AND PLANS TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON AT MED-WEEK TO REPORT HIS FINDINGS TO THE PRESIDENT-ELECT.

3. CONGRESSMAN DIGGS IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THE AMERICAN SIDE WOULD NO LONGER TOLERATE THE "EVASIVE MANEUVERS" OF IAN SMITH AND, IF THE TRANSFER OF POWER QUESTION WERE NOT SETTLED BY THE END OF THE WEEK, SECRETARY KISSINGER WOULD INTERVENE WITH MR. SMITH. THE CONGRESSMAN IS FURTHER QUOTED AS SAYING THAT IF THE GENEVA TALKS WERE UNSUCCESSFUL, THE UNITED STATES WOULD APPLY SEVERE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL SANCTIONS AGAINST THE RHODESIAN

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AND SOUTH AFRICAN WHITE-MINORITY REGIMES.

4. WANKOWICZ ALSO REPORTS ON AMERICAN ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE THE FRAMEWORK OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE, MENTIONING ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFLE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY REINHARDT, AND MR. WISNER. IN SUMMING UP THE UNOFFICIAL AMERICAN TALKS, WANKOWICZ SAYS CONGRESSMAN DIGGS CONFIRMED THAT PREMIER SMITH HAD BEEN PRESENTED WITH AN ULTIMATUM: THE DATE OF ZIMBABWE INDEPENDENCE MUST BE SET BY THE END OF THIS WEEK AND BY THE END OF THE MONTH NEGOTIATIONS ON THE TRANSFER OF POWER TO THE AFRICAN MAJORITY MUST BE COMPLETED.

5. COMMENT: THE WANKOWICZ REPORTING FROM GENEVA IS UPBEAT AND POSITIVE ABOUT AMERICAN DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THE RHODESIAN SITUATION. END COMMENT.  
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